

146. *And be it enacted*, That the policemen and street supervisor, before entering upon the duties of their office, shall each take and subscribe before a justice of the peace of Wilcomico county residing in said city an oath to well and faithfully, without partiality or prejudice, perform the duties of his office in all things according to the laws of the State and the ordinance of said city, and to enforce said laws and said ordinance to the best of his ability, which oath shall be certified to by the justice of the peace before whom it is taken and filed with the clerk of the Council, and be recorded in the minutes of said Council and the original certificate safely kept. The original certificate, the record thereof or a certified copy of the same under the hand of said clerk and the seal of the Mayor and Council to be evidence in any court in the State.

147. *And be it enacted*, That the said policemen and street supervisor so appointed shall have all the police powers of constables in this State, and it shall be their duty to enforce the by-laws, resolutions and ordinances of said city and the laws of the State of Maryland relating to crime and misdemeanors committed in said city. The Mayor, or in his absence or disability, the president of the Council, may appoint special policemen, with all the powers of the regular policemen, for a term of not exceeding forty-eight hours when deemed necessary so to do, the one appointing to fix the compensation of said special policemen; their duties and powers shall be the same as those of the regular policemen. Policemen shall have the same fees for making arrests for infraction of the laws of the State and the ordinance of the city as are now or may hereafter be allowed constables in criminal cases. All fines for violation of the provisions of this charter or ordinance of the city shall, when collected, be immediately paid over to the clerk of the council, with the names of persons from whom collected, and deposited by him to the credit of said city.

148. *And be it enacted*, That upon complaint in writing and a trial before the Mayor and Council, after notice to the party complained of informing him of what he is charged and to appear and defend himself first having been given him in writing at least five days before trial, and if Council find any of said officers including the clerk to the Council, treasurer or collector, as hereinafter provided for, to be guilty of misconduct unbecoming an officer, disobedience, neglect of duty, misfeasance or malfeasance in office, such officer may be removed at once from his office by a majority vote of the trial board and his office shall be declared vacant, and the Mayor shall, as soon as convenient thereafter, appoint another person to fill said office so vacated for the unexpired term, which appointment shall be submitted